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SUBJECT: GOB AGRICULTURAL MINISTER ON COUNCIL MEETING

1. GOB AGMIN LAVENS, WHO PRESIDED OVER MOST OF MARATHON EC COUNCIL MEETING ENDED MAY 1, GAVE PRESS CONFERENCE FOLLOWING DAY. LAVENS STRESSED LOGIC OF ERTL' S POSITION THAT THERE BE NO LINK BETWEEN NEW SUPPORT CAP PRICES AND A RETURN TO UNIFIED CAP PRICE SYSTEM UNTIL EC CURRENCIES " GET BACK WITHIN THE SNAKE". LAVENS ALSO TALKED OF AN EVOLUTION IN FORCES WITHIN EC RESULTING FROM ENLARGEMENT, ESPECIALLY FROM BRITISH ENTRY, WHICH GIVES GREATER STRENGTH TO THOSE FAVORING DIRECT SUBSIDIES TO FARMERS OVER PRICE SUPPORTS; HE NOTED THAT GOB IS OPPOSED TO DIRECT PAYMENTS TO FARMERS. LAVENS COMPLAINED ABOUT PROBLEMS OF NEGOTIATING IN COUNCIL WITH UNANIMITY RULE AND WITHOUT ANY FORMAL RULES IN PROCEDURE.

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2. HE ALSO EMPHASIZED THAT INCREASE IN ORIENTATION PRICE OF MEAT
WOULD NOT RESULT IN ACTUAL RETAIL PRICE INCREASE.
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